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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA

TIMOTHY DIETZ,

Plaintiff,

VS.

QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORP. OF WASHINGTON;

WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE;

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,

MCCARTHY AND HOLTHUS, LLP,

DOE DEFENDANTS 1 - 20

Defendants.

Civil Case No.: CV-13-5948-RJB

MOTION TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF SUMMONS AS BEING WAIVED AND THAT THE DATE OF SERVICE OF THE WAIVER BE DEFINED AS THE DATE FROM WHICH THE USPS DOCUMENTS AS THE DELIVERY DATE OF THE WAIVER OF SERVICE

NOTE ON MOTION CALENDAR: SEPTEMBER 5, 2014

PURSUANT to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 4(d), an individual, corporation, or association has a duty to avoid unnecessary costs of serving the summons. In order to move this case along without undue delay, the Plaintiff is asking the court to accept the service of summons as being waived and to accept the date of waiver of service as documented by the USPS. Waiver of service has been sent to all defendants in February of 2014.

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1.	"Primary purpose of this rule providing for process is to give adequate notice of
	pendency of an action." Sechrist v. Palshook, D.C.Pa. 1951, 97 F.Supp. 505. Defendants
	have acknowledged pendency of an action against them by their notice of appearance
	filed on March 7, 2014. Should waiver not be accepted, then Defendants are to bear the
	costs of service. "Defendant who failed to respond despite actual service by first class
	mail and refused to execute acknowledgement of service would be required to bear costs
	of personal service." Kress v. Scott Instruments, W.D.Pa. 1987, 116 F.R.D. 631.
	"Attorney fees of over \$1200 were allowable, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil
	Procedure, as reasonable cost of obtaining personal service upon defendant who failed to
	acknowledge service by mail." Premier Bank, Nat. Ass'n v. Ward, M.D.La. 1990, 129
	F.R.D.500.

2. Rule 4(d) states in relevant part;

"Waiver of Service; Duty to Save Costs of Service; Request to Waive

- (2) An individual, corporation, or association that is subject to service under subdivision (e), (f), or (h) and that receives notice of an action in the manner provided in this paragraph has a duty to avoid unnecessary costs of serving the summons. To avoid costs, the plaintiff may notify such a defendant of the commencement of the action and request that the defendant waive service of a summons.
- (4) When the Plaintiff files a waiver of service with the court, the action shall proceed, except as provided in paragraph (3), as if a summons and complaint had been served at the time of filing the waiver, and no proof of service shall be required."
- 3. Plaintiff has followed the procedures for delivery of the waiver of service pursuant to the FRCP 4(d) and the only response that the Plaintiff has received is a notice of appearance.. Although proof of service is not required, one was filed anyway on February 15, 2014, Dkt. 22. The USPS documents delivery of the waiver of service to Quality Loan Service Corp. as February 25, 2014 (Attachment 1). The USPS documents

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delivery of the waiver of service to McCarthy and Holthus as February 18, 2014 (Attachment 2). Defendants Quality Loan Service Corp. and McCarthy and Holthus have taken the rules of civil procedure lightly as they have not returned the Waiver of service to the Plaintiff, disrespecting the courts intention of costs saving.

- FCRP rule 7.1 has a defined purpose which has been ignored by the Defendants. Rule
   7.1(a) states in relevant part;
  - "(a) A nongovernmental corporate party to an action or proceeding in a district court must file two copies of a statement that identifies any parent corporation and any publicly held corporation that owns 10% or more of its stock or states that there is no such corporation."

FRCP rule 7.1(b) states in relevant part;

- "(b) A party must
  - (1) file the rule 7.1(a) statement with its first appearance."

Neither Defendant has filed the rule 7.1 disclosures with their appearance.

- 5. At the completion of the rule 26(f) conference, defendant offered to file the joint conference and scheduling report but failed to follow through, prompting the court to file an Order to Show Cause upon the Plaintiff.
- 6. LCR 10 has also been disrespected by the Defendants. LCR 10(f) states that "any attorney representing any party or any party not represented by an attorney must file a notice with the court of any change in address, telephone number or e-mail address.
  Such notice must be received by the Clerk's Office within ten days of the change."
  Quality Loan Service Corp. and McCarthy and Holthus have changed their address from Poulsbo, Washington to Seattle, Washington and have not informed the Clerk's Office nor have they informed the Plaintiff of any such change.

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WHEREFORE the Plaintiff moves the court to enter an order accepting the service of summons as being waived in order to avoid undue delay.

WHEREFORE the Plaintiff moves the court to accept the date of the waiver of service to Quality Loan Service Corp. as February 25, 2014.

WHEREFORE the Plaintiff moves the court to accept the date of the waiver of service to McCarthy and Holthus as February 18, 2014.

Dated August 22, 2014

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct and that a copy of the foregoing has been electronically provided to Robert McDonald, Esq., Attorney of Record.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 2014.

Timothy Dietz

**VERIFICATION** 

## STATE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF THURSTON

BEFORE ME personally appeared Timothy Dietz who, being by me first duly sworn and identified in accordance with Washington law, deposes and says:

- 1. My name is Timothy Dietz, Defendant herein.
- 2. I have read and understood the attached foregoing herein, and each fact alleged therein is true and correct of my own personal knowledge.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

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Timothy Dietz, Affiant

SWORN TO and subscribed before me this 22nd day of August, 2014.

Notary Public

My commission expires: 11/29/2016



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